

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-10

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 SSO-00 /021 W  
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O R 062143Z MAR 74

FM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7623

INFO AMEMBASSY PANAMA

AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT AU PRINCE 0407  
GPZNAMA FOR RSS; SANTO DOMINGO FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE TELEPHONE SECURITY PROBLEM

REF: STATE 043984

1. ON FEB. 12 AT APPROXIMATELY 0830, EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICER USED HIS OFFICE TELEPHONE TO CALL HIS RESIDENCE. LATER MORNING, AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 A.M. POL OFF'S WIFE PICKED UP TELEPHONE AT HOME TO CALL HER HUSBAND'S OFFICE. SHE COULD NOT GET A DIAL TONE BUT LISTENED FOR A SHORT TIME AND RECOGNIZED HER HUSBAND AND THE DCM TALKING. SHE THOUGHT PHONE HAD BEEN LEFT OFF ITS CRADLE. SEVERAL TIMES LATER IN MORNING SHE PICKED UP TELEPHONE AND EACH TIME HEARD CONVERSATION IN HER HUSBAND'S OFFICE IN THE EMBASSY. IN CONVERSATION WITH HUSBAND LATER IN DAY (APPROXIMATELY 1400) SHE INFORMED HIM OF ABOVE. HE RETURNED TO HIS OFFICE AND FOUND THE TELEPHONE PROPERLY PLACED IN ITS CRADLE.

2. INSTRUMENT HAS NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN MOVED NOR DISCONNECTED. FURTHERMORE, THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPEAT NO ADDITIONAL REPORTS OF SUCH INCIDENTS. PSO HAS ATTEMPTED TO RECREATE SITUATION FROM POL OFFICE PHONE WITH NO SUCCESS.

3. HOWEVER, EMBASSY TELEPHONE SYSTEM IS WIRED WITH UNSHIELDED AUDIO CABLE AND THEREFORE MUCH "CROSS-TALK"

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CAN BE HEARD ON LINES AT ANY GIVEN TIME.

4. ALTHOUGH ONLY PARAGRAPH ONE INCIDENT KNOWN TO HAVE  
OCCURRED EMBASSY STILL FEELS IT SHOULD BE CHECKED OUT  
BY COMPETENT PERSONNEL AND REQUESTS THE SERVICES OF A  
SECURITY TECHNICIAN ASAP.

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